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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2013–14 REGULAR SESSION

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 2328

Introduced by Assembly Member John A. Pérez

February 21, 2014

An act to add Chapter 5.6 (commencing with Section 8400) to Division 1 of Title 2 of the Government Code, relating to ~~the California Service Corps~~. *California AmeriCorps*.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 2328, as amended, John A. Pérez. ~~California Service Corps~~. *AmeriCorps*.

Under existing law, by executive order, CaliforniaVolunteers is established in the Governor's Office and is charged with overseeing programs and initiatives for service and volunteerism.

This bill would establish ~~the California Service Corps (CSC)~~ *California AmeriCorps* in the state government, to be administered by CaliforniaVolunteers and operate under the existing federal AmeriCorps program guidelines. This bill would require that ~~CSC California AmeriCorps~~ members be determined through an application process for eligible ~~California~~ college graduates with student loan debt, as specified. This bill would allow ~~California cities, counties, and other municipalities~~ *a city, county, or special district* to apply individually, in partnership with a nonprofit entity, or with a city, county, or special district, to CaliforniaVolunteers, through a competitive request for proposal process, to host one or more ~~CSC California AmeriCorps~~ members. This bill would provide that ~~the CSC's California AmeriCorps~~ purpose is to assist local governments in implementing priorities detailed in the request for proposal.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes.
State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. Chapter 5.6 (commencing with Section 8400) is added to Division 1 of Title 2 of the Government Code, to read:

CHAPTER 5.6. ~~CALIFORNIA SERVICE CORPS~~ CALIFORNIA
AMERICORPS

8400. (a) ~~The California Service Corps (CSC)~~ California AmeriCorps is hereby established to be administered by California Volunteers, as established by Executive Order S-24-06. ~~The CSC California AmeriCorps~~ shall operate under the existing federal AmeriCorps program guidelines.

(b) ~~CSC California AmeriCorps~~ members shall be determined through an application process. Eligibility will be based on the existing qualifications required for AmeriCorps members and all of the following:

(1) The applicant shall have an associate or a ~~bachelors~~ baccalaureate degree.

(2) The applicant shall provide proof of incurred student loan debt.

(3) The applicant shall be 21 years of age or older.

(4) The applicant shall provide proof of two or more years of continuous California residency.

(c) ~~Cities, counties, and other municipalities of the state may apply to California Volunteers, through a competitive request for proposal process, to host one or more CSC members. A city, county, or special district may apply individually, in partnership with a nonprofit entity, or with a city, county, or special district to California Volunteers, through a competitive request for proposal process, to host one or more California AmeriCorps members.~~ The purpose of ~~the CSC California AmeriCorps~~ is to assist local governments in implementing priorities detailed in the request for proposal.

(d) California Volunteers is authorized to solicit and accept private funding to help supplement the costs of ~~the CSC California AmeriCorps~~. These private funding sources may include, but are

- 1 not limited to, foundations, corporate funding, crowd funding,
- 2 donation drives, or any other sources of private investment that
- 3 may be available.

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